

# **SCAETs Approach to Addressing Problem Bars in Greenville:**

**A comprehensive approach to deal with large scale  
nuisance establishments in Greenville County, South  
Carolina**

# Upon completion of this presentation, participants will be able to:

- ◆ Understand the importance of continued enforcement of large scale nuisance bars and nightclubs
- ◆ Gain knowledge of methods to pool local resources in a comprehensive approach to address these establishments
- ◆ Recognize how a coalition involving multiple partners can assist you in establishing these connections and mobilizing these resources
- ◆ Take away best practice methods that can be utilized in any jurisdiction

# Population Served

- ◆ Greenville County is approximately halfway between Atlanta, GA & Charlotte, NC along Interstate 85
- ◆ Largest city in South Carolina
- ◆ Greenville County is 795 square miles
- ◆ 2015 U.S. Census reported a population of 491,863



# Background

- ◆ 2000 – The Phoenix Center of Greenville lead multi-jurisdictional enforcement operations under an underage drinking grant project
- ◆ 2003 – Enforcing Underage Drinking Laws (EUDL) Coalition is established in Greenville, SC. The Phoenix Center was named as the lead agency for the county-level coalition
- ◆ 2007 – The Phoenix Center became lead agency in the 13<sup>th</sup> Circuit (Greenville & Pickens counties) for statewide Alcohol Enforcement Teams (AET). AETs are trained consistently & continually on best practice models
- ◆ 2011 – Greenville, SC was named as NHTSA Demonstration project for Source Investigation & High Visibility Enforcement effectiveness study. Formal evaluation conducted by Wake Forest School of Medicine, Div. of Public Health, Dept. of Social Sciences & Health Policy

## The 13<sup>th</sup> Circuit AET focuses on:

- ❖ Consistent enforcement of alcohol laws (Title 61) & County ordinances
- ❖ Addressing media and other community norms, laws, and policies that encourage excessive drinking and criminal activity
- ❖ Education & enforcement planning conducted in monthly meetings and email updates
- ❖ County-level communication to community constituencies through diverse groups of dedicated law enforcement agencies and community partners
- ❖ Continuous community support of protests of nuisance establishments

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